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Inmate Death at FCI Yazoo City (LOW)

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Monday, April 27, 2020, inmate Dewayne Antonio Mitchell was seen by Health Services staff at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Yazoo City in Yazoo City, Mississippi and was transported to the local hospital for further treatment and evaluation. On April 28, 2020, Mr. Mitchell tested positive for COVID-19 and was placed on a ventilator. On Thursday, June 4, 2020, Mr. Mitchell, who had a pre-existing medical condition, which the CDC lists as a risk factor for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced dead by hospital staff.

Mr. Mitchell was a 43-year-old male who was sentenced in the Eastern District of Tennessee to a 168-month sentence for Aided and Abetted by Another, Distributing Twenty-Eight Grams or More of Cocaine Base. He had been in custody at FCI Yazoo City since March 13, 2019.

FCI Yazoo City is a Low security level facility that currently houses 1672 male offenders.

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